

Notice of Allowability	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
	10/685,658	NICOLAOU ET AL.	
	Examiner	Art Unit	
	Zachary C. Tucker	1624	

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1. This communication is responsive to _____.
2. The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-7.
3. The drawings filed on 14 October 2003 are accepted by the Examiner.
4. Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) All b) Some* c) None of the:
 1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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 - (a) including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
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7. DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date 27Jun05
4. Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
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5. Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. Interview Summary (PTO-413),
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7. Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
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9. Other _____.

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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

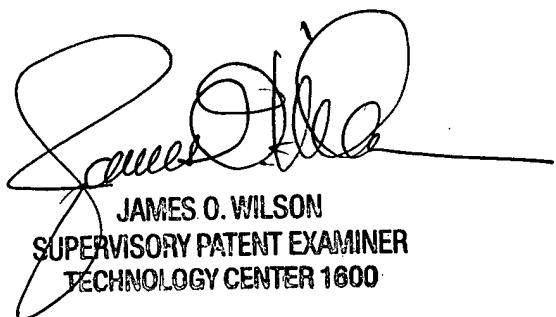
An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Donald Lewis on 3 August 2005.

IN THE CLAIMS –

In claim 1, line 14 of page 14 in the claims, the phrase "under reaction conditions" has been struck.

In claim 6, line 21 of page 16 in the claims, the phrase "for under reaction conditions" has been struck.



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Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1-7 are allowed.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

No disclosure of, nor any suggestion to carry out the syntheses according to the instant claims was found in a search of the prior art.

As indicative of the state of the art shortly prior to the time the invention was made, the examiner cites the following the references and summarizes their teachings:

Nicolau et al, "A Novel Regio- and Stereoselective Synthesis of Sulfamidates from 1,2-diols Using Burgess and Related Reagents: A Facile Entry into β -amino Alcohols." *Angewandte Chemie, International Edition*, vol. 41(5), pages 834-838 (March 1, 2002).

Two of the co-inventors named in the instant application (Nicolau and Snyder) were authors of this article, which describes the synthesis of β -amino alcohols from 1,2-diols and Burgess reagent. Interestingly, the compounds ultimately produced by the synthesis disclosed in the reference, after hydrolysis of the cyclic sulfamidate formed from the 1,2-diol and Burgess reagent, could be used as starting materials employed in the process according to instant claims 1-5 where "X" comprises a single methylene unit.

A short monograph on the reactions of Burgess reagent, written by Taibe and Mobashery, appears in the *Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis*, vol. 5, pages 3345-3347, John Wiley & Sons (1995). This monograph covers dehydrations, including where the dehydration forms a carbocyclic ring, formation of nitriles from amides and electrophilic addition to dienes, but does not hint at any reaction where the

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Burgess reagent itself becomes part of a heterocyclic ring system, as is the case in the instantly claimed process.

Lamberth, C. "Burgess Reagent ([Methoxycarbonylsulfamoyl]triethylammonium Hydroxide Inner Salt): Dehydrations and More" Journal für Praktische Chemie, vol. 342(5), pages 518-522 (2000).

Is another review summarizing what Burgess reagent is typically used for. The review teaches dehydration reactions of course, formation of nitriles from amides and formation of oxazolines from acyclic hydroxy-amides (Wipf reactions). Although the Burgess reactions discovered by Wipf et al are cyclizations, the Burgess reagent itself does not become part of the heterocycles formed in the reaction.

Winum et al, "N-(tert-Butoxycarbonyl)-N-[4-(dimethylazaniumylidene-1,4-dihydropyridin-1-ylsulfonyl)azanide: A New Sulfamoylating Agent. Structure and Reactivity toward Amines" Organic Letters, vol. 3(14), pages 2241-2243 (2001).

Is pertinent for its disclosure of a new reagent, named in the title of the reference, which participates in reactions with various amines, similar to the process of instant claim 6, to produce acyclic sulfamides. Winum et al point out the similarity between their reagent and Burgess reagent at page 2242, last paragraph, but do not make any suggestion that Burgess reagent would similarly be effective in producing sulfamides from acyclic amines.

Probably the most comprehensive review on Burgess reagent which is recently published comes from –

Khapli et al, "Burgess Reagent in Organic Synthesis" Journal of the Indian Institute of Science, vol. 81(4), pages 461-476 (July-August 2001).

This reference discusses the reactions covered in the other two reviews and

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monograph cited hereinabove, but also discusses polyethylene glycol-linked Burgess reagent as a means to increase reactivity (page 462).

None of these references include any suggestions which would render the instantly claimed process obvious.

The original work by Burgess et al, in J. Org. Chem., vol. 38(1), pages 26-31 (1973), does not hint at the reactions according to the instant claims either.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

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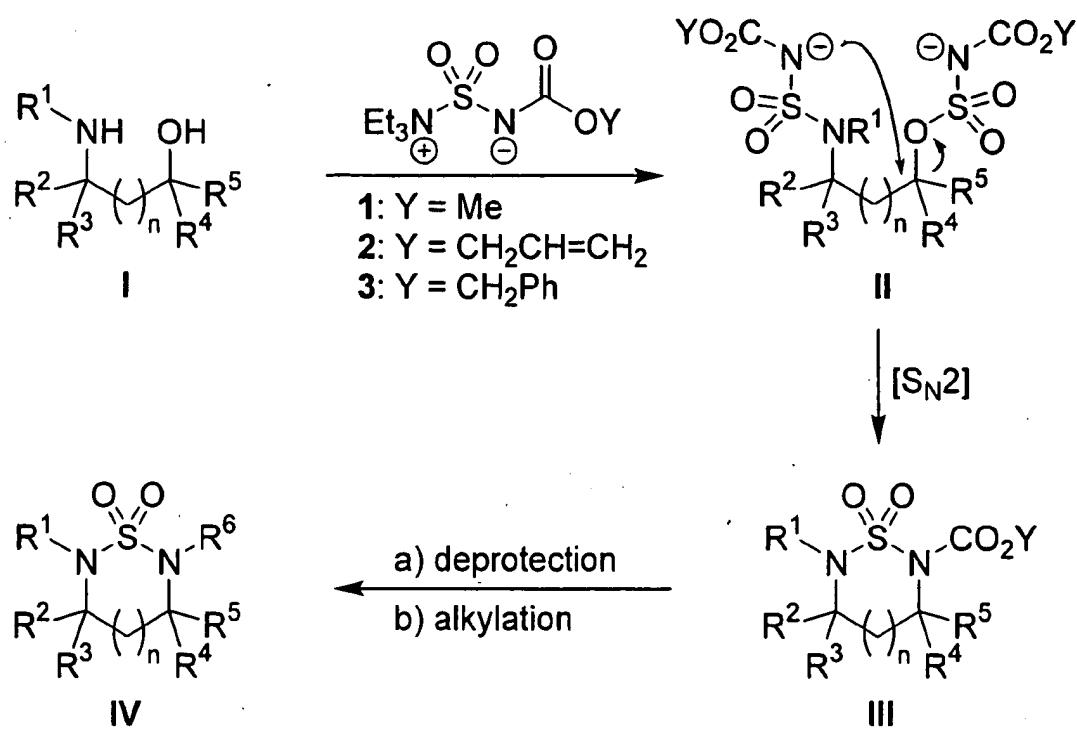
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Figure 1

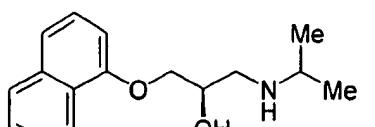
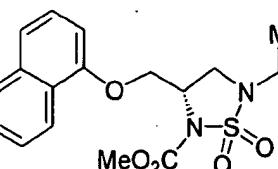
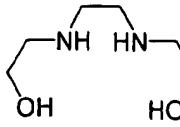
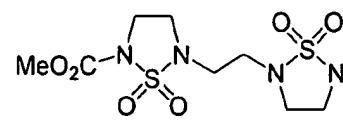
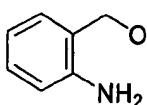
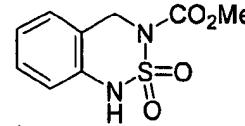
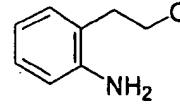
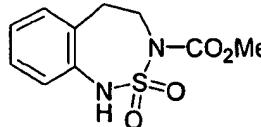
$\text{R}^1-\text{NH}-\text{CH}_2-\text{OH}$ Burgess reagent (1) $\text{R}^1-\text{N}(\text{S(=O)(=O)}\text{OCO}_2\text{Me})-\text{CH}_2-\text{N}(\text{H})-\text{R}^2$

THF, Δ , 8 h

Entry	Starting Material	Product	Yield [%]
1	4	5	75
2	6	7	85
3	8	9	81
4	10	11	77
5	12	13	92
6	14	15	75
7	16	17	82
8	18	19	69

Figure 2

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Entry	Starting Material	Product	Yield [%]
1			89 ^[a]
2			55 ^[b]
3			45 ^[c]
4			90 ^[d]

[a] THF, Δ , 21 h; [b] THF, Δ , 8 h; [c] 0 °C, 1 h, then 25 °C, 5 h; [d] THF, Δ , 2 h.

Figure 3

Entry	Starting Material	Product	Yield [%]
1			62
2			39
3			34
4			42
5			90 ^[a]
6			76 ^[a]

[a] 0 °C, 1 h, then 25 °C, 5 h.

Figure 4

Entry	Starting Material	Product	Yield [%]	Burgess reagent (1)
				THF, Δ , 2 h
1	40	41	83	
2	42	43	91	
3	44	45	82	
4	46	47	87	
5	48	49	73	
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8	54	55	98[a]	

[a] -10 to 25 °C, 24 h.

Figure 5

Conditions

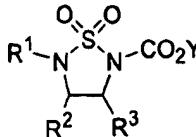
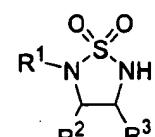
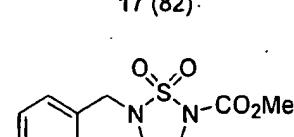
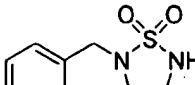
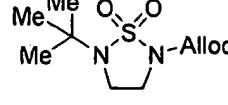
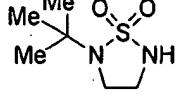
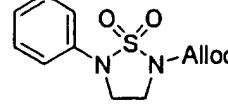
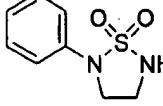
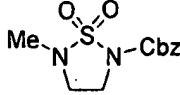
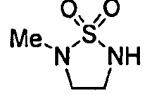
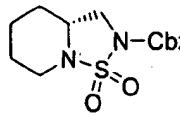
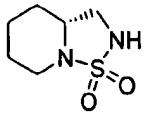
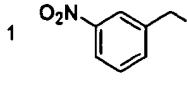
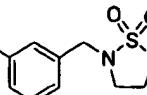
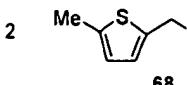
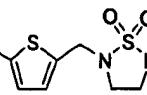
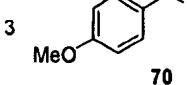
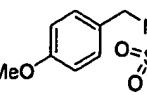
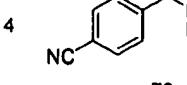
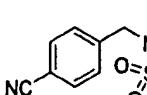
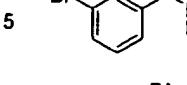
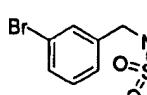
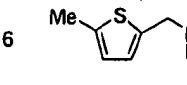
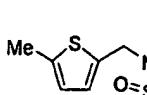
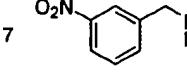
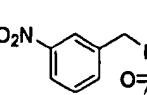
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1	 17 (82)	 56	99 ^[b]
2	 7 (85)	 57	99 ^[b]
3	 58 (75)	 59	97 ^[c]
4	 60 (82)	 61	98 ^[c]
5	 62 (82)	 63	84 ^[d]
6	 64 (75)	 65	87 ^[d]

Figure 6

Entry	Starting Material	Product	Yield [%]
1			89
2			92
3			93
4			87
5			83
6			89
7			81

Preparation of starting substrates:

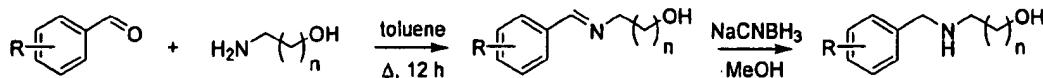


Figure 7